

**Cycling Ulster Off Road Commission (CUORC)
Annual General Meeting
Saturday 13th October 2018
Seagoe Hotel, Portadown
Minutes**

1. Chairman's Address

Chairman, Dylan Lyness (DL) opened the meeting at 13:15PM by welcoming delegates. All those in attendance were invited to observe a moment's silence in acknowledgement of members who had passed away in the last year. DL thanked members of the commission and Cycling Ulster before handing over to Martin Grimley (MG) to go through the presentation.

2. CUORC Summary & minutes from previous AGM

MG outlined the current structure and remit of CUORC. MG emphasised the importance of keeping records to keep a history of the sport.

Acceptance of the 2017 minutes was proposed by Mark Harvey and seconded by Marian Lamb.

3. 2018 Review

MG gave a review and highlighted the successes of all off road disciplines (including Championships races) throughout 2018 as well as showing the performance of XC and CX over the last four years.

4. XC Review

The number of participants at races was discussed and in 2019 consideration will be given to not holding races in July.

MG reviewed the XC timetable, which worked well in 2018.

5. CX Review

The season so far was reviewed and available dates were highlighted. The number of rounds may reduce to 8 rather than the proposed 9.

There has been a slight decline in numbers attending CX.

Thomas Hepburn suggested making the Ulster Championships an Ulster CX round but this is not possible because the format is different due to age categories.

The pricing schedule was reviewed, with no comments from the floor. The timetable was also reviewed, with no comments from the floor.

2019 dates were shown. A draw had been made at the first round of the Ulster series at Lurgan Park. A list of events was presented. Clubs who needed to change their dates were told to approach other clubs to organise a swap. Gary Rafferty highlighted that Island Wheelers were not included on the list. MG apologised for this oversight.

Tommy McCague asked that CUORC liaise with the Road Commission/CU Technical Officer to discuss a start date for CX to avoid a clash with road races. This was agreed.

6. Enduro

MG gave a review of the 2018 season, including the championships. The participation rate of females was highlighted as being much lower than the other disciplines.

7. Rider Development

Youth Camp resumed in 2018 and continues to be successful. Individual clubs are now doing their own youth development. The numbers have shown some decline in the last year.

MG outlined the sessions held for U14 & U16. Ric Jamieson (ex British Cycling coach attended one session) This ultimately fed into the Inter-Regional Championships, which took place and Ulster had its first full team and a result of 8th team overall.

The XC British Series was, again, very successful for Ulster riders with some impressive overall results. CUORC sent riders to all rounds.

8. Accounts

MG outlined the budget and race levies for XC and CX. To support clubs hosting championship races, the Commission funds Commissaire fees and does not charge a race levy. Over all spend for 2018 to date is in the region of £12,000.

The 2019 budget has not yet been confirmed. Marian Lamb hopes that a Commissions' meeting will be held after the Cycling Ulster AGM but earlier than last year. There is uncertainty about budgets for next year as membership has dropped by 16%.

9. Elections

Nominations were received for each of the posts below and each of these people were duly elected:

Chair: Dylan Lyness

Elected last year for a 2 year period

Secretary: Martin Grimley (1 nomination)

Duly filled.

Treasurer: Lisa Millar (1 nomination)

Duly filled.

Commission Member: Nicola McKiverigan (4 nominations)

Duly filled.

Commission Member: Gareth McKee (1 nomination)

Duly filled.

DL commended Gareth McKee for the work done with riders at the British XC rounds. He also thanked Nicola McKiverigan, together with Simon Curry and Mark Harvey for the input.

Gary Rafferty asked what the plan is for XC and suggested that money may be better diverted to CX. Tommy McCague agreed that more money needed to go to CX. DL agreed that we would review this in future after sending a CX team to GB in November.

Marian Lamb suggested that people with off-road background come up with a plan and take it to CI AGM for approval.

10. Motions

1. Lisa Millar's motion to include a prize for Masters women in next year's Ulster Cyclocross League was seconded by Gary Rafferty. Carried
2. Nicola McKiverigan's motion to include a category for Junior women in next year's Ulster CX and XC Leagues was discussed and amended as follows:
 1. Junior female category at Ulster Cyclocross Championships. Seconded by Mark Harvey. Carried.
 2. Junior female category at Ulster XC Championships. Seconded by Thomas Hepburn. Carried.
 3. Ulster CX Series – already in place.
 4. Ulster XC Series – Unplaced Junior prize for S1 women category. It was agreed that the format and lap numbers would be discussed and agreed at Commission level.
Seconded by Mark Harvey. Carried.

Marian Lamb suggested that CUORC draw up a constitution for 2019. MG & DL agreed to look at this.

11. Looking ahead to 2018-2019

MG highlighted events still to take place. DL would like a pool of coaches to help us develop youth riders. CUORC may help volunteers to gain coaching qualifications.

Marian Lamb thanked CUORC on behalf of CU Executive for all the work done by the commission. Tommy McCague added his congratulations to the Off Road Commission.

Claire Young queried why CU aren't more involved in Enduro. MG advised that it is currently run by a very dedicated organisation who is open to ideas externally. However, this is a commercially run organisation. There is nothing to stop clubs running their own events or holding developing days. It is not part of the CUORC remit to run events. CUORC would be involved in championship events to ensure that they are run to the required standard. DL suggested that we speak to Glyn O'Brien about development. Mark Harvey expressed concern at attracting younger riders to a discipline that can be very technical.

12. Close of AGM

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the AGM.

Cycling Ulster Off-road Commission Accounts 13 December 2017 – 12 October 2018

ITEM	INCOME	OUTGOINGS
Meetings		-£67.55
Capital spend / assets		-£77.16
CX race levy	£445.00	
XC race levy	£532.00	
Stationery and posters		-£51.09
Consumables		-£2.49
Subscriptions		
Postage		-£24.93
Training		-£210.20
Youth Camp	£154.99	-£109.04
Medals and trophies		-£263.30
IRMTB		-£2,379.82
British XC Series		-£10,092.43
Commissaire fees		-£80.00
Other	£249.00	
	TOTAL	£1,380.99
		-£13,358.01
		SPEND
		-£11,977.00

CUORC Kitty

End of 13 Dec 2017	£211.86
As of 12 Oct 2018	£586.97

Capital spend / assets

Chair	-£ 6.99
Gullies for Inter Regional Training	-£ 12.50
Mic for sound system	-£ 40.04
CX Jumps for youth	-£ 17.63
	TOTAL
	-£77.16

AGM Attendees

Name	Club
Claire Young	Apollo CT
Dylan Lyness	Apollo CT
Maurice Mayne	Banbridge CC
Simon Curry	Banbridge CC
Marian Lamb	Cycling Ulster
Tommy Lamb	Cycling Ulster
Tommy McCague	Cycling Ulster
Gibson Chambers	Dromara CC
Martin Grimley	Dromara CC
Gary Rafferty	Island Wheelers
Thomas Hepburn	Island Wheelers
Nicola McKiverigan	Powerhouse Sport
Lisa Millar	Unattached
Mark Harvey	Unattached

Apologies

Gareth McKee (Banbridge CC), Stephen McNally (Square Wheels)